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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Angeles – Stolen Laptop Had Information for Thousands of Hospital Patients

(U) Officials at Children's Hospital Los Angeles say a laptop stolen from a physician's car last year may have contained personal health information for nearly 3,600 patients. Yesterday, the Los Angeles Daily News reported thousands of families whose children were treated at the hospital will receive letters this week notifying them that their personal health information may have been breached. The laptop stolen on 18 October was protected with a password, but officials say it's unclear if it was encrypted and that's why families will be notified. An investigation showed the laptop has not been used to access the internet and that officials believe all data may have been erased.

SOURCE: 17 January 2017, SF Gate

(U) San Francisco – Widow of Orlando Nightclub Shooter, Omar Mateen, Arrested

(U) Noor Salman, the wife of Pulse nightclub shooter Omar Mateen, was arrested in the San Francisco area yesterday. She faces federal charges that include obstruction of justice and aiding and abetting her husband's material support to the Islamic State in Iraq and Levant (ISIL). Authorities believe Salman acted of her own free will and knowingly took steps to obstruct the investigation into the massacre, according to a law enforcement official. The official said Salman's claims that she was coerced through her husband's abusive behavior did not stand up. Another official says the evidence will show that she was complicit and knew her husband was going to do something bad.

SOURCE: 17 January 2017, CNN

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Colorado - Nothing Found After Reported Security Threat on United Airlines Flight

(U) Denver – Nothing suspicious was found after the pilot of a United Airlines flight from San Diego to Denver International Airport reported a possible security threat on board a plane on last night. United Flight 231 landed at 9:15 p.m. where officials from the Denver Police Department, Transportation Security Administration and FBI swept the plane in a remote area of the airport. The sweep of the Airbus A-320 came back clear. According to passengers, there was a bomb threat on a note left in a bathroom. Passengers deplaned and were searched, then transported to baggage claim by buses, officials said. No arrests were made.

SOURCE: 16 January 2017, KDVR

(U) Florida – Eight Shot at Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration

(U) Miami – According to Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, three juveniles and three adults were shot, and two other juveniles were grazed by bullets during a Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at a park in the Miami-Dade area. Miami-Dade Police searched for the shooters in nearby homes, and at around 5:20 p.m., officers confirmed they had detained two people for questioning and recovered two weapons from the scene. The cause behind the shootings remains under investigation.

SOURCE: 16 January 2017, WSVN

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(U) Washington - Man Arrested After Washington State Islamic Center Fire

(U) Bellevue – On 15 January, authorities arrested a Washington resident, Isaac Wayne Wilson, on charges of setting fire to an Islamic center in Bellevue, Washington. Wilson was arrested after he was discovered in a parking lot near the Islamic Center of Eastside, where a fire broke out in the middle of the night. A Bellevue Police Chief said Wilson was arrested on suspicion of second degree arson, and on an outstanding warrant for felony first degree malicious mischief in Seattle. The motive remains unknown and the incident is under investigation.

SOURCE: 15 January 2017, Reuters

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Mexico – At Least Five Dead, 15 Hurt in Shooting at Music Festival

(U) Playa del Carmen – At least five people, including foreigners, were killed and 15 were wounded yesterday, when a gunman opened fire at a nightclub in Mexico's Playa del Carmen resort during the BPM electronic music festival. A Canadian, an Italian and a Mexican were among the dead, while the US embassy in Mexico said authorities had confirmed the death of an American. The nationality of the other victim was still unclear. The gunman escaped and is still at large. The incident is not currently being investigated as an act of terrorism. Seven of the 15 injured were still in the hospital. One was in grave condition, the state government said in a statement. Four people were arrested on suspicion of involvement.

SOURCE: 16 January 2017, Reuters

(U) Nigeria – Boko Haram Claims University Attack

(U) Maiduguri – Islamist militant group Boko Haram has said it was behind yesterday's twin suicide bombings at a university in north eastern Nigeria which killed two people. A video featuring an audio recording purporting to be leader Abubakar Shekau was posted on social media. A professor at the University of Maiduguri and a child were killed and 17 people wounded officials said on the day of the attack.

SOURCE: 17 January 2017, Reuters

(U) Spain – Spain to Extradite Suspected Mexican Drug Trafficker to the United States

(U) Madrid – The Spanish government says it will extradite a Mexican with suspected links to several crime cartels to the United States where he is wanted for drug trafficking and other offenses. On 13 January, Juan Manuel Munoz Luevano's extradition was agreed upon at the weekly meeting of government ministers. He is wanted by US authorities for drug trafficking, money laundering and arms possession offences, operations he allegedly ran from his residence in Madrid. Munoz is linked to several crime gangs, most notably the Zetas and the Sinaloa.

SOURCE: 13 January 2017, Associated Press

(U) Turkey - Authorities Capture Nightclub Attacker Who Acted For ISIL

(U) Istanbul – Turkish authorities captured the gunman who killed 39 people in an Istanbul nightclub on New Year's Day, an Uzbek national they said was trained in Afghanistan and had clearly acted on behalf of ISIL. The suspect, Abdulgadir Masharipov, was caught in a police raid late yesterday in a hideout in an outlying Istanbul suburb after a two-week manhunt. Masharipov, who was captured with four others, had admitted his guilt and his fingerprints matched those at the scene. Masharipov was captured with an Iraqi man and three women from Africa, one of them from Egypt, in the Esenyurt district on Istanbul's western outskirts. Two pistols, mobile phone SIM cards, two drones and \$197,000 in cash were also seized.

SOURCE: 17 January 2017, Reuters

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(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico - Border Tunnels Left Unfilled on Mexican Side Pose Security Risk

(U) Tijuana – At least six previously discovered border tunnels have been reactivated by Mexican trafficking groups in recent years, exposing a recurring large-scale smuggling threat, according to US and Mexican law enforcement officials. The breaches of border defenses, most recently in December, occur because Mexican authorities, unlike those on the American side, do not fill the tunnels with concrete once they have been discovered. Mexican authorities say they lack the funds. Instead, only the tunnel openings are sealed. That allows traffickers to simply dig a new entry point to access the largely intact subterranean passageways leading to the US border. US authorities at the time anticipated that traffickers would reactivate the tunnels, and some recommended that the US consider paying Mexico's costs of filling the tunnels on its side. But funding sources were never found. Now an estimated 20 large tunnels, constructed before and after 2007, remain largely intact on the Mexican side, according to US and Mexican officials.

SOURCE: 15 January 2017, Los Angeles Times

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